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Daily report on the effects of the Israeli aggression in Palestine

Current situation in Palestine from **7 October to 5th of November 2023 – 10:30 am**

Number of destroyed residential units and displacement	Attacks on Health Sector	Injured in Palestine	Martyrs in Palestine
More than 200 thousand housing unit > 50% 1,500,000 Palestinians internally displaced Almost 70%	More than 270	Gaza strip: more than 24 thousand	Gaza strip: 9730
		West Bank: about 2200	West Bank: 153

Health statistics department in the ministry of health Ramallah oversees the data collection process through its offices in Gaza. Figures updated every 24 hours .These numbers reflect the verified statistics only but does not necessarily reflect all causalities given the fact that many victims remain missing under the rubble

Major Events

- 3 major hospitals (Al-Shifa hospital, Nasser children's hospital and al-Quds hospital) were targeted by the bombardment on the 4th of November.
- The Israeli forces have also targeted the main electricity generator at Al-shifa hospital causing a full electricity cut, and many solar panels at hospitals and bakeries.
- No movement of dual nationals, internationals, or patients from Gaza to Egypt was reported on 4 November, after a convoy of ambulances evacuating patients from Shifa hospital in Gaza city to the Rafah crossing with Egypt, was struck three times in the vicinity of the hospital.

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- More than two-thirds (73%) of martyrs killed by the Israeli occupation forces are children and women and elderly.
- On 4 November, 30 trucks carrying humanitarian supplies crossed from Egypt into Gaza through Rafah crossing.
- Israeli Occupation Forces is still banning the entrance of Fuel into the strip. As UNRWA Commissioner-General Philippe Lazzarini said, "without fuel, there will be no humanitarian response, no aid reaching people in need, no electricity for hospitals, no access to clean water, and no availability of bread."
- More than 70% of Gaza population (1.5 million) were forcibly displaced, with over 690,400 sheltering in 149 UNRWA facilities.
- 16 out of 35 hospitals with inpatient capacities have stopped functioning and 51 (71 per cent) of all primary care facilities across Gaza have shut down due to damage or lack of fuel.
- Doctors are still forced to perform surgeries without anaesthesia including for those who are wounded as a result of the Israeli bombardment and women who are delivering with C-section.
- Prior to the Israeli occupation aggression, patients, including some 2,000 cancer patients from Gaza, had been referred for regular treatment in hospitals in Jerusalem. However, this practice has been halted since 7 October.
- Overcrowding conditions continue to create severe health and protection risks for IDPs and are taking a heavy toll on their mental health. Damage to water and sanitation infrastructure and the limited availability of fuel to pump water creates additional public health risks. Several cases of acute respiratory infections, diarrhea and chicken pox have already been reported among people taking refuge at UNRWA shelters.
- Hundreds of thousands of residents in Gaza city and the northern areas face a severe water shortage, raising concerns of dehydration and waterborne diseases due to consuming water from unsafe sources. most water facilities in the abovementioned areas, including some 60 municipal water wells, have shut down due to the lack of fuel and the inability of staff to reach them.

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- At least 25 sewage pumping stations in Gaza city and the northern areas have also ceased operating. The municipality of Gaza city has warned about the imminent risk of sewage flooding in large areas of the city, including Al-Zeitoun and Al-Daraj neighbourhoods.
- The Palestine Red Crescent Society (PRCS) announced that, due to the lack of fuel, it was forced to reduce the number of ambulances it operates.
- All humanitarian agencies and personnel have faced significant constraints in providing humanitarian assistance, due to ongoing Israeli occupation aggression, movement restrictions and shortages of electricity, fuel, water, medicines, and other essential items. Humanitarian partners cannot safely access people in need and warehouses where aid supplies are stored.

Attacks on the health sector

- 175 martyrs of health personnel
- 34 martyrs of the Civil Defence
- 120 wounded of health personnel
- More than 50 ambulances were attacked, 31 are damaged and out of service.
- 16/35 hospitals in Gaza and 51/72 primary health care clinics (more than two-thirds) have shut down due to damage from the bombardment or lack of fuel.
- 55% of health cluster partners stopped or limited operations due to the mass infrastructure damage.

Health System

Gaza Strip:

- Shortage of blood: Calls continue for blood donation and appeals for outside supply of blood units.
- 95 patients per day are unable to access the specialized health care they would usually receive outside the Gaza Strip

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- There are 350,000 patients with non-communicable diseases (diabetes, heart disease, cancer, etc.). 1,000 patients need dialysis, as 80% of dialysis machines are located in hospitals in the northern Gaza Strip.
- The Ministry of Health reported that its daily use of medical consumables during the Israeli occupation aggression is equivalent to its monthly consumption before.

West Bank including Jerusalem:

- First response -emergency capabilities have been overwhelmed by the increase in injuries due to Israeli occupation forces aggression, with high demand for emergency medical supplies in hospitals.
- The closure of Israeli occupation checkpoints, lack of safety, movement restrictions and attacks on health facilities and personnel make the movement of ambulances difficult, restrict the movement of healthcare workers, and patients' access to primary care and hospitals between West Bank towns and Jerusalem.
- Parts of Area C are still inaccessible to partners running mobile clinics, leaving residents without access to basic healthcare services.

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Destroyed buildings :

- More than 50% (almost 200,000) of housing units are destroyed.
  - The final count of destruction is not available as the bombardment is continuing.
  - 42 UNRWA installations, including several designated emergency shelters (DES), have been damaged, with one of them being directly hit, resulting in 13 fatalities and 195 injuries among IDPs.
  - At least 7 churches and 55 mosques damaged

Displacement

- The cumulative number of forcibly displaced people since the start of the war in Gaza is estimated at over 1.5 million almost 70 % of the population in Gaza Strip.
- 15% of forcibly displaced suffer from various disabilities, and most shelter centres are not adequately equipped to meet their needs.

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- An imminent public health catastrophe looms in the setting of mass displacement, overcrowding of shelters, damage to the water and sanitation infrastructure.

Palestinian children walk past debris in the courtyard of a school run by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees following Israeli airstrikes targeting Gaza City on Monday.
Mohammed Abed/AFP via Getty Images

Palestinians take shelter in a U.N.-run school from the ongoing Israeli strikes on the Gaza Strip in Nuiserat refugee camp on Saturday, Oct. 14, 2023. I Hatem Moussa/AP

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